

MORE RUMORS OF FRENCH MEDIATION." 1

HALIFAX, FEB. 9.—The steamship Europe, from Liverpool on the 24th of January, arrived here this evening.

The Paris correspondent of the London Times says he has reason to know that official instructions have been sent by the French Government to Washington suggesting that commissioners be delegated by the Federal Government and the Southern States, to meet on neutral ground, to con-

The Paris Pays says: "We believe we are able to state that the Government of the Emperor has addressed a communication to Washington, proposing a means of arrangement between the belligerents which would fully protect the dignity—*amour propre*—of the Americans."

The Nord also says: "France has proposed a convocation of an American Congress with a view to peace."
The Moniteur denies that the French Consul at New Orleans has been superseded. He left merely on a leave of absence.

Six thousand French troops, reinforcements, have been ordered to Mexico.

The ship *Pamela Flood*, from New Orleans for Liverpool, has been abandoned at sea. The captain was the only one saved.

The steamship Wm. Corey, from New York for London, put into Falmouth on the 23d, in a leaky condition. The decks were swept. She lost her masts, etc.

FROM FALMOUTH AND RICHMOND.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.
Sunday, February 8, 1863.

A reconnaissance was completed yesterday of the right

The Richmond papers of the 5th and 6th instant have been received. They, as usual, contain long extracts from the New York papers, and rather a significant notice of three executions, to take place on the 5th, in Richmond. The notice states that executions are so frequent that they excite no attention whatever.

FROM PORT ROYAL.

NEW YORK, FEB. 9.—The United States gunboats Circassian and Water Witch arrived here during the night from Port Royal, the latter to repair.

The Circassian has six officers of the rebel steamer Hunneter, burnt by our fleet off Charleston on the 17th ultimo. They report that the neutral British steamers Herald, Hero,

and Ariel were at Charleston on the 17th. The Hero is of 2,200 tons, and had 2,400 bales of cotton aboard. The Ariel had over 1,200 bales on board, and was also waiting for a chance to run the blockade. The rebels in Charleston, according to their showing, are well posted in all our military and naval movements.

THE Circassian is from New Orleans via Port Royal, and took the rebel prisoners on board at the latter port. She has nothing later from New Orleans.

FROM NEW ORLEANS.

NEW YORK, FEB 9.—The steamer Marion, from New Orleans on the 2d instant, arrived here this afternoon. Among the passengers is Count Meien de la Roche.

Gen. Banks has issued an order explanatory of 'the President's Emancipation Proclamation'.

The editor of the True Delta has been rebuked for endeavoring to foreshadow the action of Gen. Banks. Everything is quiet in the Delta.

They sang a quat in the city of New Orleans. Capt. Miller, proceeds C. D. Daming as Mayor of that city. The General Williams struck a snag while on the way to the forts and sunk, but all hands were saved.

THE IRON-CLADS NEAR SAVANNAH.

NEW YORK, FEB. 9.—A Port Royal letter of the 2d instant says the Montauk has been engaged several days attacking the iron-clad battery on Ogeechee (Gorgia) river. The rebels have got much heavier guns than they ever used before. They also use steel-pointed shot. Although the turret of the Montauk had been struck six times, the

The harbor of Port Royal is full of vessels, and General Foster and troops had arrived.

SUCCESS OF THE QUEEN OF THE WEST.
CHICAGO, FEB. 11.—A special telegram from Cairo, received to-day, says that news has been received from Vicksburg up to Saturday. The news is that the British fleet has arrived.

returned from below. Her trip down the river was in the highest degree successful. She met three steamers with provisions for the rebels at Vicksburg, and succeeded in sinking them. She took fifty-six prisoners—one of them a colonel. She went near enough to Port Hudson to draw fire from the rebel upper battery.

THE WAR IN TENNESSEE.
NASHVILLE, FEB. 10.—Our forces entered Lebanon, Tennessee, on the 8th. They captured some six hundred rebels, most of them being men of Morgan's command. Many field officers were taken. Among the prisoners is Paul Anderson, assistant postmaster.

Over one hundred wounded reached here by the cars from Murfreesboro to-night. The first train for Murfreesboro will leave here to-morrow. The river is six feet on the shoals and falling. The rain is now falling so that

THE UNION PRISONERS AT GALVESTON.
BOSTON, FEB. 11.—A letter from Capt. Proctor, of the
Forty-second Massachusetts Regiment, dated Houston,
January 8th, states that his and two other companies of
that regiment were captured at Galveston on the 1st.

They are at Hoston. Capt. Proctor states that Captains Wainwright, Lieut. Lee, and eight of the crew of the Harriet Lane were killed, and that the rest are prisoners. They all receive good treatment, and expect to be soon paroled. Only one was killed and fourteen wounded in the Massachusetts companies.

A RECONNOISSANCE IN VIRGINIA.
On Monday Col. Wyndham returned from another reconnaissance. With a considerable cavalry force he scoured the country from Fairfax to Salem and the Blue Ridge at Manassas Gap, east as far as Snicker's Gap, and back to Fairfax Court-house, via Leesburg. On this occasion he found no traces of rebels in arms anywhere in his trip.

A SKIRMISH IN FLORIDA.
NEW YORK, FEB. 9.—A Fort Clinch (Florida) letter of the 31st states that a fight took place on the St. Mary's river, at Scrubby Bluff, between rebel cavalry and three companies of South Carolina negro volunteers. The rebels attempted to take the steamer John Adams by boarding her, but the negro soldiers fired on them and drove them off.

THE PRESENT TO GEN. MCCLELLAN.—Notwithstanding the assertion to the contrary made by an evening na-

It is a fact that Gen. McClellan has been presented with a house in this city. About two weeks ago he received the brown stone front house known as No. 22 West Thirty-first street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues. The house was filled with the choicest furniture, which was a part of the magnificent present. Gen. McClellan and wife will take possession of the dwelling as soon as they return from their trip "down East."—N. Y. Com. Advertiser.

NARROW ESCAPE.—During the late passage of the iron-clad Weehawken, Capt. Rodgers, from New York to Fortress Monroe, in the height of the severe gale she encountered, one of her officers (Ensign Cox) was washed into the anchor well forward, passed under the guards, which are below the water, and thrown again on the deck without serious injury. This was a remarkable skin to the foam.